DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY ANNUAL GOALS

July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004

Mission:

Protect, maintain and enhance the quality of Utah's surface water and ground water to allow appropriate beneficial uses, and protect public health while giving reasonable consideration to economic impacts.

1. Foster integrated information management and 24 hour service through the Internet.

Measures:

- a. Complete modifications to the ground water compliance database to allow electronic reporting of DMR's and the generation of compliance reports. (5/30/04 GW Section Manager)
- b. Make modifications and progress in getting data into our surface water database and enhance user access.
 - 1) Restore data accessibility to all workstations in the office (10/01/03 Arne)
 - 2) Work to electronically transfer macroinvertibrate data to the system from USU (6/1/04 Arne)
 - 3) Electronically transfer peryphyton data to the system (6/30/04 Arne)
 - 4) Evaluate the contract option to make blue fish functions available to the public. (12/31/03 Richard)
- c. Modify the electronic stormwater permitting system to generate needed management reports. (3/15/04 Gayle)
- d. Evaluate other general UPDES permits for electronic issuance and make recommendations. (3/01/04 Gayle)
- e. Insure that all public notices for permits and Water Quality Board Agendas are noticed on our web site (Ongoing Faye & Section Managers)

2. Implement Core Programs in an efficient and professional manner. Measures:

- a. Establish and meet response deadlines. Response items are tracked and a performance report is submitted to Branch managers and the Division Director 10/1/03, 1/02/04, 3/01/04 and 6/30/04. Branch managers and section managers to agree on report contents. (Ongoing all section managers.
- b. Operate programs in a manner to facilitate customer satisfaction as evidenced by minimizing complaints, permit appeals, etc. and maximizing positive feedback. (Ongoing)
- c. Implement programs effectively in accordance with rules and statute to protect water quality. (Ongoing)

d. Maintain an effective working relationship with EPA and local health departments. (Ongoing)

3. Implement the Phase II Stormwater Program.

Measures:

- a. Develop an active community stakeholder group to address implementation concerns. (8/31/03 Gayle)
- b. Initiate first outreach/education activities. (11/15/03 Gayle)

4. Implement the Utah AFO/CAFO strategy.

Measures:

- a. Modify state rules to reflect required federal changes. (3/01/04 Gayle)
- b. Maintain a strong partnership approach to emerging issues. (Ongoing)
- c. Track annual progress of potential CAFO's and take appropriate actions. (1/15/04 Gayle)
- d. Prepare and distribute a progress report on the CAFO Strategy. (1/31/04 Mike)
- e. Make a determination of proper approach and implement UPDES coverage of ground water permitted CAFO's. (4/15/04 Gayle)

5. Accomplish an effective program for completion and implementation of TMDLs. Measures:

- a. Track and complete scheduled TMDLs for listed water bodies (6/30/04 Harry)
- b. Implement processes to establish legal support for previously approved and new TMDLs. (10/1/03 Harry)
- c. Establish an effective in-house procedure to insure appropriate waste load and permitting assumptions and policies are incorporated into TMDL development. (8/31/03 Harry)
- d. Watershed coordinators will monitor and manage implementation activities for completed TMDLs by establishing implementation milestones, identifying milestone leaders and tracking their completion. Tracking reports will be submitted to Division of Water Quality managers and others on July 1 and January 1. (Harry)
- e. Maintain sound fiscal management of contracts by tracking contract amount, expenditures to date and availability of funds to meet obligations via quarterly reports. (Ongoing Harry & Stacy)
- f. Submit a semi annual status report of TMDL progress. (1/15/03 and 6/30/04)

6. Effectively implement the DEQ initiative on subdivisions and growth with local health departments.

Measures:

- a. Establish a project work group consisting of LHD, DEQ, EPA and county/city planning stakeholders. (8/15/03 Don)
- b. Develop a detailed charge and scope of work for the project. (8/30/03 Walt)

c. Establish a task schedule and track and report progress quarterly. (10/15/03, 1/15/04, 4/15/04, 7/15/04 Walt)

7. Establish an effective Biological Monitoring Program. Measures:

- a. Prepare an annual biological monitoring plan based upon needs and use of the data. (4/15/04 Richard & Tom)
- b. Prepare and distribute an assessment report for each water body where biological monitoring is conducted. (Ongoing Richard)
- c. Develop a biological monitoring strategy identifying key steps in utilizing such data. (10/15/03 Richard)
- d. Evaluate and make recommendations for future biological program needs in coordination with WQM and TMDL sections. (6/30/03 Richard)
- e. Effectively implement E-map to provide required data to EPA and to enhance the state program. (Ongoing Richard)

8. Improve and Enhance DWQ Employee Resources measures: Measures:

- a. Participate fully in DEQ employee training and leadership training (Ongoing)
- b. Establish a DWQ professional geologist strategy to comply with licensing laws. (10/31/03 Candace)
- c. Establish a policy to meet professional engineers continuing education requirements. (8/15/03 Kiran)
- d. Evaluate staff development ideas and options. (11/15/03 Quality Council)

9. Implement a successful underground wastewater disposal system program. Measures:

- a. Maintain a positive working relationship with the LHDs. (Ongoing)
- b. Continue to work with USU to provide an effective training, certification and continuing education program. (Ongoing, Kiran)
- c. Develop a detailed subsurface wastewater program plan and schedule of activities and actions that are needed. (8/30/03, Kiran)
- d. Work with the CLEHA committee to establish leadership in promoting the individual wastewater program. (Ongoing, Kiran)
- e. Develop a MOA with the SW District Health Dept to address gravel filters. (12/01/03, Kiran)

10. Complete necessary rulemaking with effective stakeholder involvement. Measures:

a. Adopt gray water rules. (12/15/03, Kiran)

- b. Revise ground water rules to update standards and address protection levels. (1/31/04, GW)
- c. Complete tri-ennial review of water quality standards and anti-degradation policy. (12/31/03, Mike)
- d. Modify UPDES rules to reflect new CAFO requirements. (3/1/04, Gayle)
- e. Modify individual wastewater rules to reflect needed updates. (6/30/04, Kiran)
- f. Modify Rules to adopt TMDLs by reference. (11/30/03, Harry)

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